

Willie Mays Takes Lone Lead In National League Bat Race

By FRED DOWN
United Press International
It's Willie Mays out in front and Ted Williams coming up fast in the only major league races left for the National and American league batting titles.

Mays, San Francisco's pride and joy, is on top in the NL's four-cornered race today with a .346 average while Williams, Boston's controversial star, is only three points behind teammate Pete Runnels with a .320 mark.

Mays connected for a triple and a double in the Giants' 10-3 loss to the Chicago Cubs Wednesday to take over the lead from Philadelphia's idle Richie Ashburn, who is hitting .344. Willie's average has soared 14 points in a week since he stopped "swinging away" and began to go for short hits.

Williams, who never has hit below .317 in his major league career, had a double and single as the American league champion New York Yankees snapped a six-game losing streak with a 7-5 victory over the Red Sox. Runnels, meanwhile, dropped a point when he had only one hit in four tries.

The Chicago White Sox clinched second place with a 4-3 victory over the Detroit Tigers, the Baltimore Orioles beat the Washington Senators 2-0, and the Kansas City Athletics outclubbed the Cleveland Indians, 7-4, in other American league games while the Los Angeles Dodgers edged out the St. Louis Cardinals, 4-3, in the only other National league game.

Bobby Thomson smashed his 20th homer and two singles to lead a 14-hit Cub attack on six San Francisco pitchers. Thomson joined Ernie Banks, Dale Long, Lee Walls and Walt Moryn as 20-homer-a-season men, tying the major league record for one club.

The Dodgers made three double plays to set a new National league record of 195 in one season and also raised their home attendance to a new season mark of 1,807,785—topping the previous club record of 1,807,526 set in Brooklyn in 1947.

LINEUP:
American League
New York 310 001-7 9 0
Boston 000 110 030-5 9 3
Mays, Duren (8) and Berra, Brewer, Fornieles (6), Kistner (6) and White, Winner—Mays (11-8). Loser—Brewer (12-12). HRS—Bauer, Mantle, Malone 2.

(10 innings)
Detroit 000 010 101-0 3 12 1
Chicago 010 000 110-1 4 12 0
Lary, Morgan (9) and Wilson, Pierce, Moore (9), Rudolph (10) and Lollar, Winner—Rudolph (1-0). Loser—Morgan (2-3).

Cleveland 001 100 200-4 10 1
Kansas City 000 113 027-7 10 0
Bell, Mossi (6), Brodowski (7), Grant (7) and Nixon, Terry, Herbert (7) and Chittum, Winner—Terry (11-13). Loser—Bell (11-10). HRS—Nixon, Colavito, Maris 2, Avila.

Washington 000 000 000-0 3 0
Baltimore 011 000 000-2 8 1
Fascual, Cline (8) and Courtney, Portocarrero (15-11) and Triandos, Loser—Fascual (8-12).

National League
Chicago 000 025-10 14 1
San Francisco 010 002 000-3 6 1
Briggs, Henry (6), Elston (6) and Neenan, Gomez, McCormick (6), Montant (7), Jones (6), Giel (6), Johnson (9) and Schmidt, Thomas (7). Winner—Elston (8-6). Loser—Montant (8-10). HR—Thomson.

St. Louis 000 000 201-3 6 1
Los Angeles 102 001 000-4 7 2
Mabe, Chittum (6), Jackson (8) and Green, Craig, Kipp (8), Rirer (9) and Roseboro, Winner—Craig (2-0). Loser—Mabe (2-9). HRS—Lillis, Demeter, Boyer.

AGENTS HAD THE LUCK
London—UPI—Norman Allin 34, hid cigarettes in packages to relatives here on his return to Britain from the United States for a vacation. His goal - to make sure he'd have enough of his favorite brand. In one package, Allin wrote: "To H. M. Customs. If you find this, the best of luck." Customs agents were lucky. Allin was fined \$56.

Beat This!
by Tip Brady
WHICH WOMAN GOLFER SCORED THE LOWEST 18 HOLES? Golfer Betty Borg of the U.S. shot a 64 for the lowest 18-hole round ever recorded by a woman, at Richmond, Calif., Apr. 29, 1952. She went out with a 30 and returned with a 34. 8 strokes under the men's par for the course. (Thorpe Lee Jones, Eugene, Ore.)

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SPORTS

NY Has Defensive Edge on Milwaukee

(This is the second of three dispatches comparing the Milwaukee Braves and New York Yankees. This dispatch deals with defense. The final story will cover pitching.)

By MILTON RICHMAN
United Press International
New York — Manager Casey Stengel's stronger bench and the versatility of several of his players give the New York Yankees a defensive edge over the Milwaukee Braves for the World Series.

Baseball men generally agree there is not a defensive weakness in the Yankee lineup. Although the Braves' defense is rated "good," it does not measure up to the Yankees', especially at first base and in the two outfield posts where Bill Bruton and Wes Covington are playing on gimp knees.

The one position where Milwaukee may be rated stronger is at shortstop, where the experienced Johnny Logan must get the call over young Tony Kubek, but even there the difference is not too big.

Advantage Important
It is on the bench and in the matter of versatility of certain key players where the Yankees maintain a decided advantage. And this is especially important to Stengel for his pinch-hitting strategy and lineup manipulations.

Gil McDougald, for example, has played second, third and short within recent seasons and was rated by rival managers as the best defensive player in the American League at each position. Elston Howard plays outfield and catcher; so did Yogi Berra this season; Kubek is at home in the infield and outfield; and Bobby Richardson can play second base and third.

The remarkable thing about it is that Stengel can make these fielding switches without hurting his defense the least bit.

Has Big Edge
In evaluating the rival outfields, right fielders Hank Bauer and Hank Aaron are rated about even. Mickey Mantle has a big edge, particularly in throwing, over Bill Bruton, who is not as fast as he was before an off-season knee operation. And in left, steady Norm Siebern can cover more ground in expansive Yankee Stadium than Covington, whose ailing

BOWLING

LADY ELKS NO. 2
Standings: W. L.
The Astors 10 2
Stags 7 5
Vi Ma Ru's 6 6
The Antlers 6 6
Jolly Transfer & Storage 4 8
Terrible Trio 4 8
Hi Lo's 4 8
Cussin Three 2 10

Results:
Pic's 1 (Pat Gardner 439) 1166;
Terrible Trio 3 (Rose Barr 574) 1222;
Vi Ma Ru's 3 (Vi Coats 422) 1192;
Cussin Three 1 (Dorothy Veal 404) 1057;
Onkeys 4 (Mable Clark 563) 1338;
Stags 0 (Vivian Knox 461) 1218;
Astors 2 (Lucy Turner 430) 1189;
Antlers 2 (Claudia Low 445) 1201;
Hi Lo 3 (Eileen Wise 439) 1174;
Jolly 3 1 (Maxine McCall 430) 1065;
Rose Barr—high game, 193.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE
Standings: W. L.
Quality Market 10 2
Medford Paint Co. 9 3
Clave Construction Co. 9 3
Patterson's Bakery 7 5
Jolly Transfer & Storage 7 5
Cubby's Drive In 6 6
Morning Fresh Bread 6 6
Kim's 6 6
Mail Tribune 4 8
Bates Candy Co. 3 9
Al Sodaro Agency 3 9
Alexander & Brown Insur. 1 11

Results:
Tribune 1 (Sam VanDyke 577) 2596;
Kim's 3 (Jim Knapp 575) 2612;
M F Bread 1 (Fred Beck 576) 2595;
Quality 3 (Ray Wise 632) 2621;
A & B 0 (Marshall Brown 493) 2283;
Davis 4 (Herb Vallee 591) 2553;
Medford Paint 4 (Erhardt Blind 620) 2765;
Patterson's 0 (Earl Lenz 521) 2376;
Bates 1 (Walt Daigle 592) 2512;
Clave 3 (Jake Olson 586) 2582;
Sodaro 2 (Willard Thompson 574) 2601;
Cubby's 2 (Art Brooks 556) 2570.

BUT BE CAREFUL
London — (UPI) — The latest food delicacy here is seasoned bumble-bee at 70 cents per can. They are "guaranteed stingless."

OPERA HEAD HONORED
New York — (UPI) — Rudolph Bing, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera Company, was decorated Wednesday with the Commander's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany.

knees must be operated on after the season ends. The Yankee supremacy is just as clear-cut in the infield. Conceding Logan over Kubek at short, New York must be favored at the three other starting positions—if Joe Adcock is the Milwaukee first baseman, Bill Skowron, although he won't make anyone forget Hal Chase, is far more agile than Adcock. However, Frank Torre, the Braves' reserve first baseman, is the best "glove man" of the three.

Better Bench Strength
At third, Andy Carey is steadier defensively than Ed Mathews. Red Schoendienst at second is an "old pro" who knows how to play the hitters, but he has been hobbled by injuries this season and does not have as strong a throwing arm from deep positions as does McDougald.

Behind the plate, there is not much to choose defensively among Berra, Howard and Del Crandall. The most highly-regarded receiver in the Series dugouts will be 35-year-old Del Rice, who is not likely to see much action. When it comes down to a comparison of bench strength, the Yankees' Howard, Jerry Lumpe, Richardson, Enos Slaughter and Marv Throneberry are given a big edge over Torre, Felix Mantilla, Andy Pafka, Casey Wise and Harry Hanebrink.

Jacksonville, St. Mary's Take On Tough B Rivals

Jacksonville High's football game, with Bonanza has been shifted to Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

The tussle, which was originally set for Friday, will be on the Jacksonville field. Saturday date was made because a Klamath county school regulation against Friday afternoon play on this side of the Cascades. The rule is aimed at preventing disruption of classes.

Two other District 5B games will be contested Friday night. St. Mary's of Medford goes to Merrill and Chilquin comes to Talent.

Success of both Bonanza and Merrill last week end indicates that St. Mary's and Jacksonville each have their work cut out for them in the second round of district games. All four schools were winners last week with Bonanza crushing Talent 37 to 0, Merrill overpowering Malin 41 to 13, St. Mary's trouncing Sacred Heart 31 to 6 and Jacksonville beating Chilquin 19 to 6.

May Platoon
Jacksonville coach Dea Cox hopes to have the Redskins defense primed to stop the Huskies. "Skin offense has been looking real good and, if it continues to percolate, Bonanza may have a tough time stopping it. Cox figures to do some platooning with possibly five boys going in on defense who are not slated for offensive chores.

The "Skins held a scrimmage session on Wednesday. Tackling, which appeared ragged in the Chilquin mix, and blocking got attention on Monday and Tuesday.

St. Mary's opposes the club which looms as leading contender. Merrill, running from a T formation with unbalanced line, has a strong running attack. And, defensively, the Huskies are tough. They had no trouble with Malin last week although the Mustangs seemed to get most of the breaks.

Defense Stressed
Defense has been a stress in the camp of the Medford Crusaders. Coach Bill McKibbin indicated that Mike Duggan may start at tackle, Dave Lowry at end and Andre Knutson at halfback, replacing ailing players. Tackle George Lucas has a pulled

STANDINGS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
a-Milwaukee	50	81	.386	
Pittsburgh	54	67	.446	6
San Francisco	78	73	.517	12
Cincinnati	75	76	.497	15
St. Louis	71	80	.470	19
Chicago	70	81	.464	20
Los Angeles	70	81	.464	20
Philadelphia	66	85	.437	24
a—Cinched pennant.				

Wednesday's Results
Chicago 10, San Francisco 3
Los Angeles 4, St. Louis 3 (night)
(Only games scheduled).

Friday's Games
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (night)
Cincinnati at Milwaukee (night)
St. Louis at San Francisco (night)
Chicago at Los Angeles (2, twi-night)

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
a-New York	80	61	.569	
Chicago	80	70	.533	9½
Cleveland	75	75	.500	14½
Boston	75	75	.500	14½
Detroit	75	75	.500	14½
Baltimore	73	77	.487	16½
Kansas City	72	79	.477	18
Washington	61	89	.407	28½
a—Cinched pennant.				

Wednesday's Results
New York 7, Boston 3
Chicago 4, Detroit 3 (10 innings)
Baltimore 2, Washington 0 (night)
Kansas City 7, Cleveland 4 (night)

Friday's Games
Boston at Washington 2 (two-night)
Kansas City at Chicago (night)
Detroit at Cleveland (night)
Baltimore at New York (night)

League Leaders

United Press International	Player & Club	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	Pct.
NATIONAL LEAGUE	Mays, S.F.	149	587	116	203	.346
	Ashburn, Phil.	149	606	93	207	.344
	Musial, St. L.	132	459	63	154	.336
	Aaron, Milw.	150	593	109	196	.331
	Skiner, Pitts.	141	516	90	167	.324

AMERICAN LEAGUE	Player & Club	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	Pct.
	Runnels, Bos.	143	549	98	178	.324
	Williams, Bos.	128	460	76	128	.320
	Kuenn, Det.	133	546	70	173	.317
	Boyd, Balt.	122	396	59	124	.313
	Powers, Cleve.	142	578	95	180	.311

Home Runs
National league—Banks, Cubs 47;
Thomas, Pirates 35; Robinson, Redlegs 31; Mathews, Braves 31;
Aaron, Braves 30.

American league—Mantle, Yankees 42; Colavito, Indians 39; Sievers, Senators 38; Cerv, Athletics 38; Jensen, Red Sox 34.

Runs Batted In
National league—Banks, Cubs 128; Thomas, Pirates 109; Aaron, Braves 95; H. Anderson, Phils 95; Mays, Giants 94; Cepeda, Giants 94.
American league—Jensen, Red Sox 120; Colavito, Indians 107; Sievers, Senators 105; Cerv, Athletics 103; Mantle, Yankees 96.

Pitching
National league—Spahn, Braves 21-11; Burdette, Braves 19-10; Friend, Pirates 22-13; Hobbie, Cubs 10-8; Rush, Braves 10-6.
American league—Turley, Yankees 21-7; McLaugh, Indians 16-7; Ford, Yankees 14-7; DeLoach, Red Sox 13-8; Pierce, White Sox 17-11.



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